General Assembly   *Amendment*

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Offered by:
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To: Subst. House Bill No. **6277**   File No. 286   Cal. No. 246

"AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR SMALL EMPLOYERS."

1   After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2   internal references accordingly:

3   "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2010*) (a) As used in this
4   section, "mandated health benefit" means any existing statutory
5   obligation of an insurer, health care center, hospital service
6   corporation, medical service corporation, fraternal benefit society or
7   other entity that offers individual or group health insurance or medical
8   or health care benefits plan in this state to: (1) Permit an insured or
9   enrollee to obtain health care treatment or services from a particular
10 type of health care provider; (2) offer or provide coverage for the
11 screening, diagnosis or treatment of a particular disease or condition;
12 or (3) offer or provide coverage for a particular type of health care
13 treatment or service, or for medical equipment, medical supplies or
14 drugs used in connection with a health care treatment or service.

15   (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, an

16   insurer, health care center, hospital service corporation, medical

17   service corporation, fraternal benefit society or other entity that offers

18   individual or group health insurance or medical or health care benefits

19   plan in this state may offer any mandated health benefit as an optional

20   benefit that may be purchased separately, individually or in any

21   combination thereof, provided such insurer, health care center,

22   hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, fraternal

23   benefit society or other entity shall offer and make available for

24   purchase each such mandated health benefit."